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CLERK: Senator Hartnett would move to amend with AM3564, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal page 1470.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Hartnett, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. President, or Mr. Chairman, members of the board, Speaker, what this deals...this was LB 1232, which was advanced by the Revenue Committee. It deals with the agricultural and horticultural land valuation board. What it does is provide a more structured program to cut and conduct the board's activities and give board members information needed at appropriate times in order for them to operate successfully. New provision would require the chairperson of each board, before February the 15th of each year, to issue a written order to all county assessors within the land manual area to provide information needed by the board; including assessed valuations, levels of value, and other information deemed appropriate to the duties of the board. The assessor cannot be required to provide the data before September (sic-March) 20, but must provide it by April the 1st. When the information is received, it must be transmitted to each member of the board when it's received by the chairperson, but not later than 5 days prior to any meeting of the board. Also, before any meeting held after April 1st, the members are encouraged, but not required, to transmit to the chair any proposal for action to be taken by the board pursuant to its statutory authority. The chair is also obliged to refer then proposals to other members of the board. This simply helps to facilitate the activities of this board, giving more effective and efficient in providing members the information they need. And also makes a change of the...in the...it moves it from the...on line 22, it strikes, the first Monday, or during the first ten days of February, so it simply provides some flexibility with this board. So I'd ask for the adoption of this amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on the Hartnett amendment? Senator Hartnett, your light is on next. Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Mr. President, just briefly, to say that I